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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/002,794	Applicant(s) JARMAN ET AL.	
	Examiner Salad E Abdullahi	Art Unit 2157	

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 15 November 2001.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-26 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-26 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 15 November 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

1. This application has been reviewed. Original claims 1-26 are pending. The rejection cited stated below.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 1-26 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Poisson et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,765,591[hereinafter Poisson].

As per claim 1, McNally discloses a method comprising:

operating a remote control tool on a local processor-based system to control a remote processor-based system (see fig. 22 and 26 and col. 8, lines 11-42);

dragging an image indicating an object from a graphical user interface associated with one of said systems and dropping said image in a graphical user interface associated with the other of said systems (see col. 8, lines 11-22); and

automatically placing the object at the location indicated by the graphical user interface where the image was dropped (see fig. 22 and 26 and col. 8, lines 11-42);

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As per claim 2, Poisson discloses the method of claim 1 including mouse clicking on an image indicating an object (see fig. 21 and col. 7, lines 34-51).

As per claim 3, Poisson discloses the method of claim 1 including determining whether an image indicating an object is identified with the local or the remote system (see col. 6, lines 19-32 and col. 8, lines 43-60).

As per claim 4, Poisson discloses the method of claim 3 including identifying said object in a directory associated with one of said systems (see col. 6, lines 19-32).

As per claim 5, Poisson discloses the method of claim 1 including determining whether the image indicating an object has been dropped or the operation has been canceled (see fig. 22 and 26 and col. 8, lines 11-42).

6. The method of claim 1 including determining the location on a graphical user interface where the object is dropped and correlating said location to a location for storing said object.

As per claim 7, Poisson discloses the method of claim 1 including displaying a graphical user interface including interface portions associated with the local and the remote processor-based systems (see figs 28-29 and col. 8, lines 43-60)

As per claim 8, Poisson discloses the method of claim 7 including providing graphical representations of objects on the local processor-based system in a first window and objects on the remote processor-based system in a second window (see figs 28-29 and col. 8, lines 43-60).

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As per claim 9, Poisson discloses the method of claim 1 wherein placing the object includes transferring a copy of the object (see col. 4, lines 17-28).

As per claim 10, Poisson discloses the method of claim 1 wherein placing the object includes transferring the object from one system to another system (see col. 4, lines 55-61).

As per claims 11-26, the claims include feature analogous to claims 1-10, thus claims 11-26 are rejected same rational as claims 1-10.

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Salad E Abdullahi whose telephone number is 571-272-4009. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30 - 5:00. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ario Etienne can be reached on 571-272-4001. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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